

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
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Action on IATA Agreements
Issued by the Department of Transportation
on the 26th day of February, 1996

Dockets: OST-95-833, R-1 through R-147
OST-95-883, R-1 through R-26

OST-95-893, R-1 through R-22
OST-95-936, R-1 through R-19
OST-95-937, R-1 through R-35
OST-95-954, R-1 through R-48
OST-95-955, R-1 through R-20

OST-95-967, R-1 through R-6
OST-95-968, R-1 through R-42

OST-95-974, R-1 through R-43
OST-95-975, R-1 through R-29
OST-95-976, R-1 through R-100

Description: The agreements in the above numbered dockets contain changes to passenger fares, and their associated conditions of carriage, for various IATA traffic conference areas. The agreements do not affect fares to or from any U.S. points. A general description of each docketed agreement is shown in the Attachment to this order.

We do not find that the resolutions incorporated in the above dockets are adverse to the public interest or in violation of 49 U.S.C. 41309, provided that approval is subject, where applicable, to conditions previously imposed.

Accordingly, we approve and grant antitrust immunity to the agreements, subject, where applicable, to conditions previously imposed.

This order shall be effective and become the action of the Department of Transportation upon the expiration of ten days, unless within such period a petition for review is filed pursuant to 14 CFR 385.50, or the Department gives notice that it will review this order on its own motion. Such actions are subject to judicial review under 49 U.S.C. 46110.

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Given the noncontroversial nature of these agreements and the availability of the above procedure, we are waiving the 21-day period prescribed in 14 CFR 303.42.

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Director, Office of International Aviation

Docket Number: **OST-95-833, R-1 through R-147**

Proposed Effective Date: April 1, 1996

IATA Memoranda Numbers: TC3 Reso/P 0647, 0649-0650, 0652, 0654, 0656-0657, 0659-0661, 0663-0668

Action: The agreement revises fare and fare conditions in TC3 (South East Asia, South Asian Subcontinent, India, Pakistan, Japan, Korea), generally increasing fares by five or ten percent, with exceptions ranging from zero to fifteen percent.

Docket Number: **OST-95-883, R-1 through R-26**

Proposed Effective Dates: April 1, 1996

IATA Memorandum Number: TC12 Reso/P 1698

Action: The agreement revises fares and fare conditions between Mexico and Europe to reflect current market conditions, generally increasing fares by three percent, with exceptions by country ranging from zero to ten percent.

Docket Number: **OST-95-893, R-1 through R-22**

Proposed Effective Date: April 1, 1996

IATA Memorandum Number: TC2 Reso/P 1829

Action: The agreement revises fares within Africa, generally increasing fares by five percent, with exceptions ranging from zero to 15 percent, and amends conditions applicable to discount fares.

Docket Number: **OST-95-936, R-1 through R-19**

Proposed Effective Date: April 1, 1996

IATA Memorandum Number: TC2 Reso/P 1873

Action: The agreement revises the fare structure between the Middle East and Africa, increasing fares by five to fifteen percent, amends conditions applicable to discount fares and introduces new excursion fares from Tanzania to Oman and United Arab Emirates.

Docket Number: **OST-95-937, R-1 through R-35**

Proposed Effective Date: April 1, 1996

IATA Memorandum Number: TC23 Reso/P 0724

Action: The agreement amends fares and conditions between points in Africa and TC3. Fare increases range from two to 30 percent.

Docket Number: **OST-95-954, R-1 through R-48**

Proposed Effective Date: April 1, 1996

IATA Memoranda Numbers: TC2 Reso/P 1869-1870

Action: The agreement revises fares and conditions applicable between points in Europe. In general, fares are increased by two to five percent, with exceptions ranging up to 15 percent. Various market-specific amendments are made to conditions on discount fares.

Docket Number: **OST-95-955, R-1 through R-20**

Proposed Effective Date: April 1, 1996

IATA Memorandum Number: TC12 Reso/P 1708

Action: The agreement amends fares and conditions between points in the South Atlantic, on the one hand, and points in Europe and the Middle East, on the other, with increases ranging from two to seven percent. Conditions applicable to discount fares are amended and new excursion fares are introduced.

Docket Number: **OST-95-967, R-1 through R-6**

Proposed Effective Date: April 1, 1996

IATA Memoranda Numbers: TC3 Telex Mail Votes 766 and 767

Action: The agreement amends the seasonality of special fares between Japan and the Peoples Republic of China, and between Japan and Taiwan, to meet market requirements.

Docket Number: **OST-95-968, R-1 through R-42**

Proposed Effective Date: April 1, 1996

IATA Memorandum Number: TC23 Reso/P 0729

Action: The agreement revises fares and fare conditions between the Middle East and TC3, generally increasing fares by three to fifteen percent, and amending conditions applicable to discount fares.

Docket Number: **OST-95-974, R-1 through R-43**

Proposed Effective Date: April 1, 1996

IATA Memorandum Number: TC23 Reso/P 0718

Action: The agreement revises fares and fare conditions between Europe, on the one hand, and Japan and Korea, on the other. In general, fares are increased by two to three percent, with exceptions ranging up to 10 percent. Conditions applicable to discount fares are amended.

Docket Number: **OST-95-975, R-1 through R-29**

Proposed Effective Date: April 1, 1996

IATA Memorandum Number: TC23 Reso/P 0727

Action: The agreement revises fares and fare conditions between Europe and the South West Pacific, generally increasing normal and special fare levels by four percent, with exceptions ranging from zero to eight percent.

Docket Number: **OST-95-976, R-1 through R-100**

Proposed Effective Date: April 1, 1996

IATA Memoranda Numbers: TC2 Reso/P 1842-1848

Action: The agreement revises fares and fare conditions between Europe and Africa, generally increasing fares between two and six percent, with exceptions ranging up to 15 percent. Various amendments are included in conditions applicable to discount fares.